

**ABSTRACT**

A character recognition device for recognizing characters input through a touch screen, comprises a touch screen data recorder for storing the touch screen data generated from an input of a character, a timer for counting a predetermined waiting threshold time when there is no touch screen data generated, and a character recognition processor for performing character recognition of the stored touch screen data as a character. If freshly stored touch screen data is generated before the completion of counting the predetermined waiting threshold time, the freshly stored touch screen data is added to the previous touch screen data to complete the character.